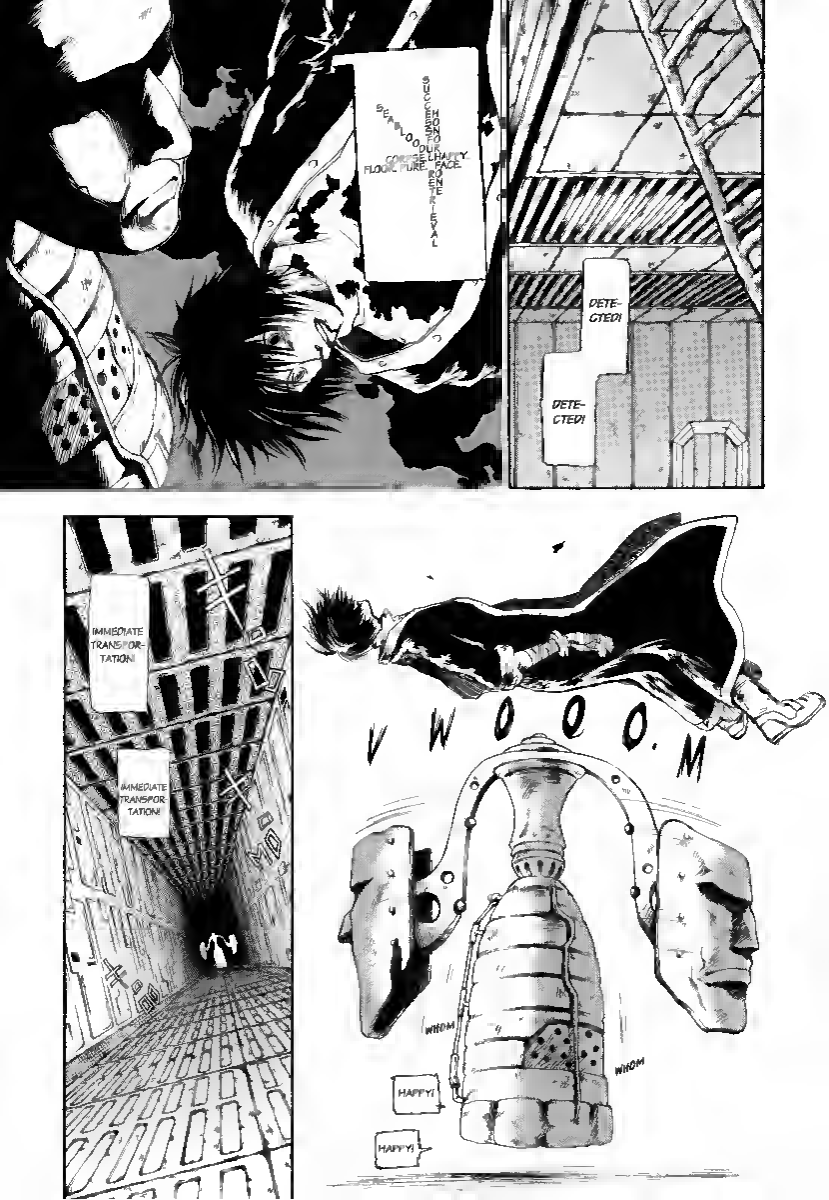
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CORPSE
FLOOR, PURE
HAPPY
FACE
ROSEN
RIVAL
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TRANSPOR-
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V W O O O. M
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WHOM
HAPPY!
HAPPY!

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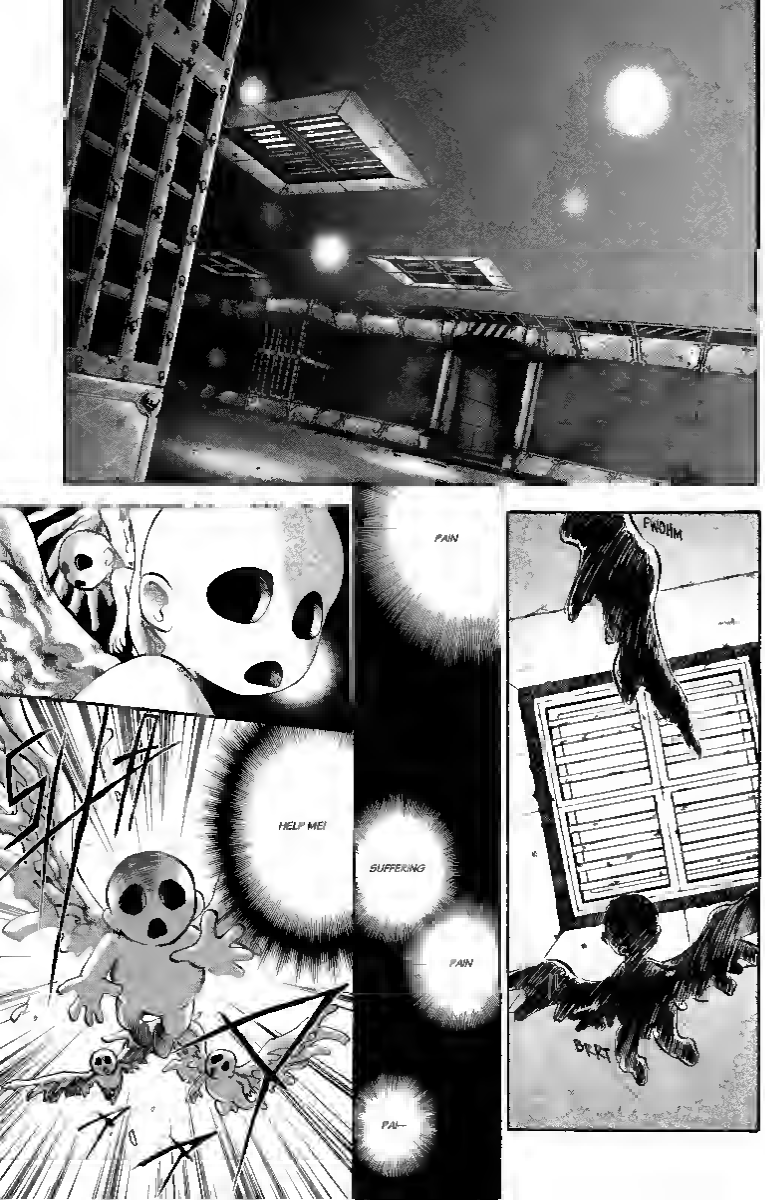
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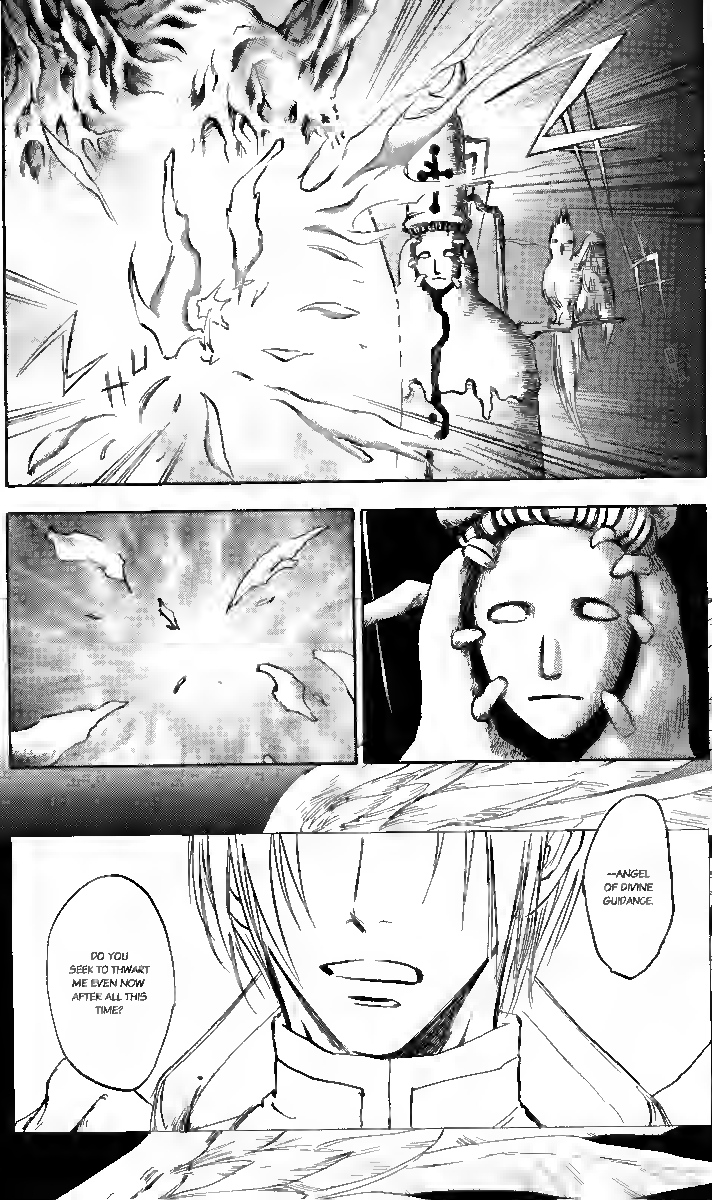
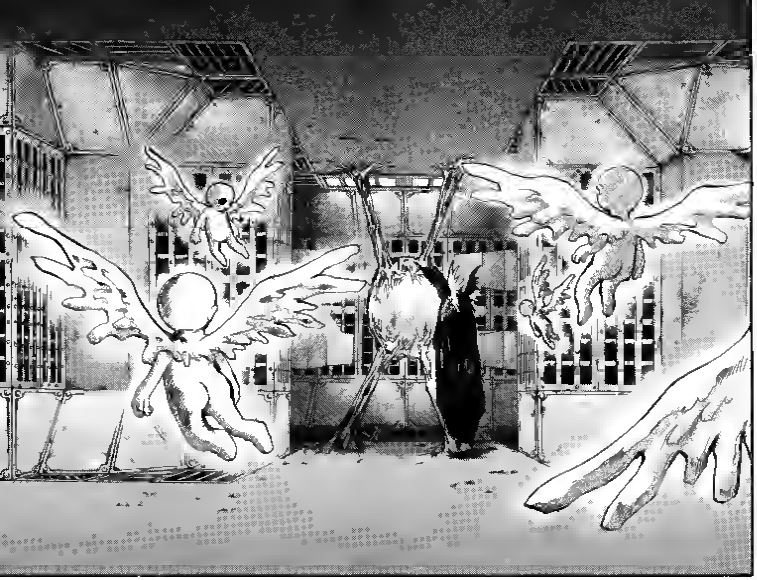
PAIN
SLICE
HELP ME!
SUFFERING
PAIN
PAI—
BLRT

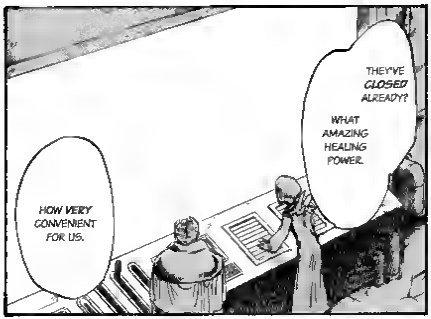

—ANGEL OF DIVINE GUIDANCE.
DO YOU SEEK TO THWART ME EVEN NOW AFTER ALL THIS TIME?

IT'S TOO LATE!
THERE WILL BE NO TURNING BACK AFTER WE'VE COME ALL THIS WAY
AM I NOT RIGHT?
B... BUT..
DIVINE GUIDE!

YOU KNOW IT TOO DON'T YOU..?

—I
I AM…




THEY'VE CLOSED ALREADY?
WHAT AMAZING HEALING POWER.
HOW VERY CONVENIENT FOR US.

UP
HOW ARE THE WOUNDS FROM THE IMPLANTING?

JUST WHAT DO THEY PLAN TO DO BY PLANTING SOMETHING LIKE AN ARTIFICIAL SPHERE OF SENSES?
BUT...

WE CAN GET HIS GENERAL LOCATION USING THE IMPLANTED CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR.
THE ONLY THING AN ARTIFICIAL SPHERE OF SENSES CAN DO IS PASS ON INFORMATION.
IT'S NOT AS IF IT CAN TRANSPORT PHYSICAL MATTER LIKE THE REAL THING
WHAT COULD THE GREATER ANGEL NEED IT FOR?
WHO KNOWS?
HE'S PROBABLY GOT SOME KIND OF PLAN.
THAT MAN EVEN HAS THE POWER TO USE THE SPHERE OF SENSES.
THE "TRUE SPHERE OF SENSES"
THAT WHICH REACHES ALL PLACES
...THE SENSORIUM OF GOD!
AND ALL WITH THE BODY OF A HUMAN... IT'S INCONCEIVABLE.
THAT'S HOW HE WAS ABLE TO STAND AT THE TOP OF THE CHURCH AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE.
PEOPLE LIKE US CAN NOT POSSIBLY UNDERSTAND
I.... I SUPPOSE SO...

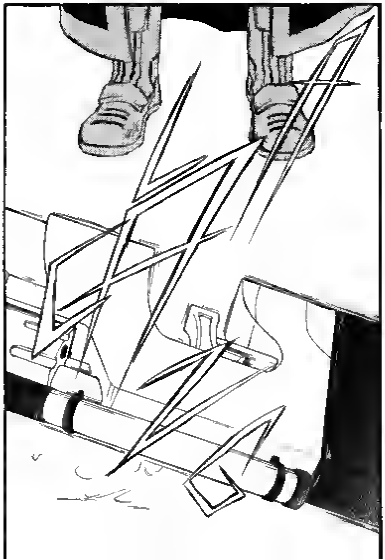
HE'S WAKING UP
BEEP BEEP
LOOKS LIKE THE TREATMENT WENT WELL.

GASP!
...

KLACK
ARE YOU GOING TO THE NERVE TOWER TO DIE AGAIN?
MUST BE TOUGH.
AGAIN...?
WASN'T THAT A NIGHTMARE?
HAVE I BEEN KILLED AT THE TOWER BEFORE?
THEN WHY

THE MAN FROM THE CHURCH OF MELCT SAID TO ME—
"AMASSED ON THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THE SPHERE OF SENSES..."
"THERE THE WORLD IS GATHERED AND THERE THE WORLD CAN BE RELEASED."

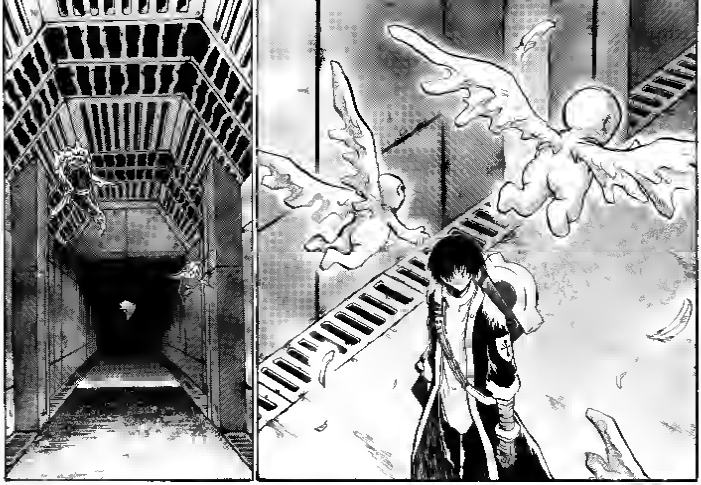
WHY AM I STILL ALIVE?
WHAT AM I DOING HERE...?

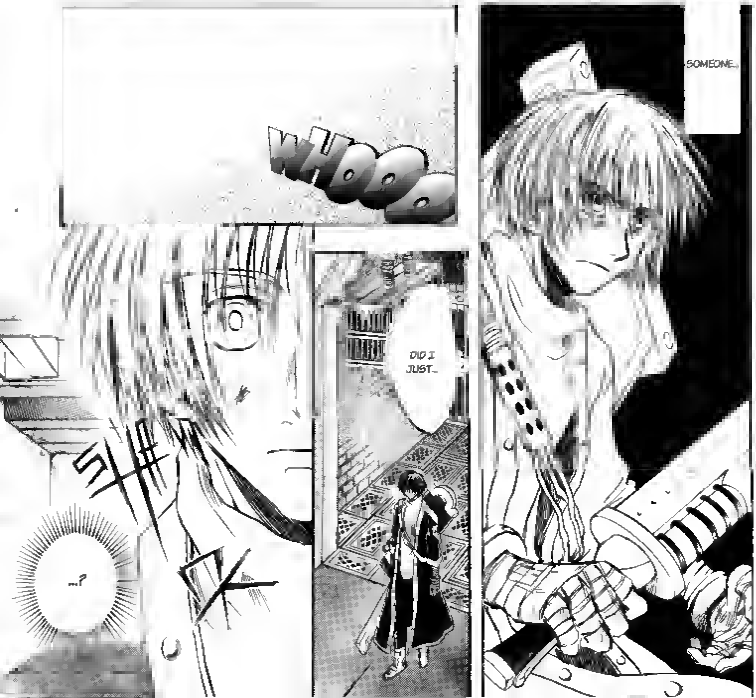


...
THE SPHERE OF SENSES

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU DIE, YOU'LL LIVE AGAIN. AND HERE YOU WILL STAND
UNTIL YOU REPENT
HOW DOES IT FEEL TO DIE?
DON'T DIE.
REACH THE LOWEST LEVEL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
OVER AND OVER... PERHAPS IN DYING YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO SURVIVE.
IT'S NOT AS IF IT'S A VERY FUN EXPERIENCE.

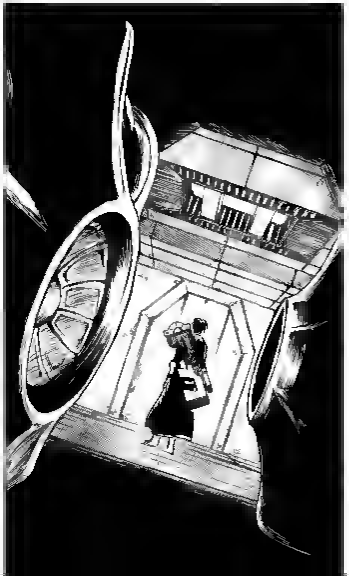
YOU MUST~
HEAL THE WORLD
SUFFERING...
CLANK

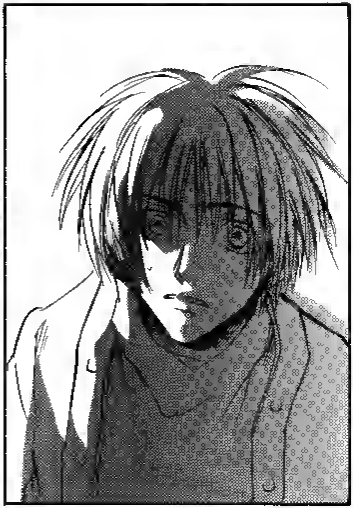



WHOOO
DID I JUST...
...?
SOMEONE...

WHO WILL DIE?

HAVE WE FORGOTTEN?
HAVE WE FORGOTTEN?
...ABOUT THAT PAIN?



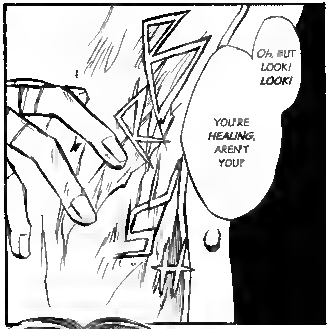


:SIGH:
ARE'NT YOU GOING TO PURIFY THE CREATOR...?
WHAT'S WRONG?

YOU'VE uh, LOST A LOT OF BLOOD

Ah...

Huh?
DID YOU ERASE THAT SEAL TOO?


Oh, BUT LOOK! LOOK!
YOU'RE HEALING, AREN'T YOU?

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU!
PHOKLE
AND I WAS GOING OUT OF MY WAY TO HELP YOU, TOO!

THE SEAL...
FSSH
Ah-

...YOU'VE GOT BLOOD ALL OVER YOUR FACE.
HOW ABOUT YOU GO WASH IT?
FSSSH
IF WE CAN'T HAVE A FAIR, I'M GOING TO ERASE MINE AS WELL.
SHUFF
WELL, NEVER MIND
YOU LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE SUFFERING ANYWAY
FWOOM
P
SPLASH

HEY!
ARE YOU GOING DOWN TO THE LOWER LEVELS AGAIN?
DO YOU WANT TO PURIFY THE CREATOR AGAIN?
YOU'LL NEVER MAKE IT!
THAT'S WHERE YOU GOT THOSE SERIOUS WOUNDS RIGHT?
THE LOWER LEVELS ARE FULL OF STRONGER GROTESQUES
SOMEONE LIKE YOU WOULD DIE IN NO TIME!
..IT'S ALL RIGHT.
EH?
WHAT IS?
BECAUSE I CAN'T DIE.

I CAN'T DIE UNTIL I REPENT FOR MY SINS.
THE GREATER ANGEL TOLD ME SO
WHAT THE HELL!?
DO YOU BELIEVE EVERYTHING THE GREATER ANGEL TELLS YOU?
B... BUT...
THAT'S SO STUPID!
IT'S ASININE!
I DON'T CARE ANYMORE.
YOU CAN GO TO THE LOWER THREE OR WHEREVER.
THEN...
THEN...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

I HAVE THIS CLEAR MEMORY OF COMMITTING A SIN, AND YET I CAN REMEMBER NOTHING ABOUT IT
BUT STILL, I SUFFER.
I'M SUFFERING.
THIS PAIN'UL BURDEN ON MY SHOULDERS MAKES ME THINK I'M GOING TO DIE.
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING. NO ONE WILL HELP ME.
AND THE PEOPLE OUTSIDE DON'T MAKE ANY SENSE.
YOU...

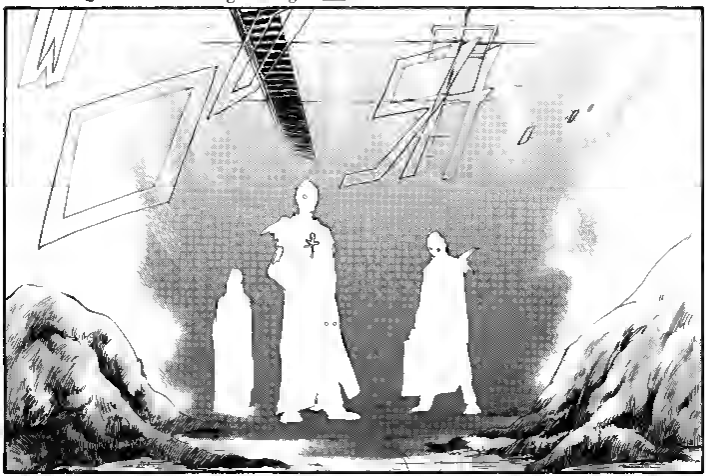
IS HIM...
THE ONLY PERSON WHO SHOWS ME THE WAY BY TELLING ME WHAT TO DO...
ALL YOU DO IS GET ANGRY AT ME.
GRRR!
TWINGE
UUUUUHHHHNNN
HELP ME
...ARE YOU SUFFERING?
SUFFERING
HEY--
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
PRICKLE

I SEE.
THAT'S HOW IT IS, IS IT?
THAT'S NOT TRUE...!
YOU'RE...
..?
YOU WON'T GIVE UP, NO MATTER WHAT, WILL YOU?
I'LL COME WITH YOU.
EH?

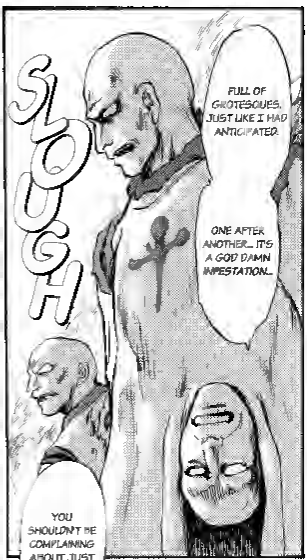
I'M ALICE.
...
SINCE YOU LOOK REALLY UNRELIABLE.
glint
LET'S GO.
A-

WOOSHKOW

THERE ARE MANY OF THEM.
USE THE FULGOROUS CASTIGATION.



DON'T DESPOIL THE NAME OF OUR CHURCH'S ALL POWERFUL ANTI-GROTESQUE DISPOSAL GROUP--
THE EXTERMINATORS.


SLOUGH
FULL OF GROTESQUES, JUST LIKE I HAD ANTICIPATED.
ONE AFTER ANOTHER... IT'S A GOD DAMN INFESTATION...
YOU SHOULDN'T BE COMPLAINING ABOUT JUST THESE FEW

YAAAWN
WHERE THE HELL IS HE HIDING—
DAMN IT
I'M USED TO TAKING CARE OF GROTESQUES, BUT I'M NOT GREAT AT LOOKING FOR PEOPLE.
WHOOO

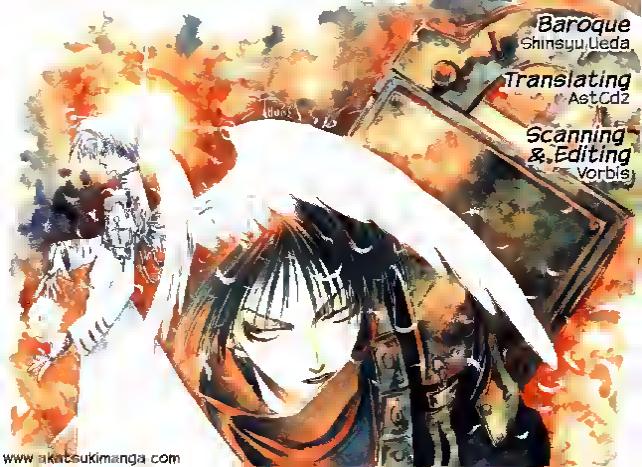
AAAA

DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!

AAARRRGH!
GAH!

S...
SORRY
LET'S GO

WE MUST FIND--
WHERE THE ANGEL OF DIVINE GUIDANCE IS HIDING.
FWOOMP

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